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 For: METHOD FOR FABRICATING A
 SPACER STRUCTURE
 Attorney Docket No: 10808/192

Examiner: Not yet assigned
 Art Unit: N/A

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
6,319,839 B1	November 20, 2001	Chien et al.
6,297,116 B1	October 2, 2001	Che
US 2001/0023120 A1	September 20, 2001	Tsunashima et al.
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DE 100 11 885 A1	November 15, 2001	Germany
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International Search Report from PCT application number PCT/DE03/01551.		
International Examination Report from PCT application number PCT/DE03/01551.		
D. Widmann, H. Mader and H. Friedrich, "Technologie hochintegrierter Schaltungen" pgs. 62-67, June 1996.		

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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